

Claims:

1. An assembly for adjusting torque of a drum beater device including a foot-operated pedal drivingly connected to a rotating shaft and a beater mounted to said rotating shaft via a beater shaft, comprising

5        an adjustable main weight member adapted to be selectively mounted to said a beater shaft;

          at least one add-on weight adapted to be selectively affixed to the main weight member, wherein said at least one add-on weight is formed to partially circumscribe said beater shaft such that said at least one add-on weight may be added to said main weight member without removing  
10    the beater shaft from the rotating shaft.

2. The assembly of claim 1, wherein said main weight member is a cylindrical member that circumscribes said beater shaft.

15        3. The assembly of claim 1, wherein said main weight member comprises mechanical fastening means for selectively affixing said main weight member to discrete positions along a length of said beater shaft.

          4. The assembly of claim 1, wherein said mechanical fastening means comprises a key  
20    bolt adapted to be operated by a drummer's key used for other drum components.

5. The assembly of claim 1, wherein said at least one add-on weight is fitted onto a mounting leg of said main weight member.

6. The assembly of claim 1, wherein said at least one add-on weight is slidingly disposed on a mounting leg of said main weight member.

7. The assembly of claim 1, wherein said at least one add-on weight is threadingly disposed on a mounting leg of said main weight member.

8. The assembly of claim 1, further comprising a resilient member interposed between said main weight member and said at least one add-on weight to prevent vibration therebetween.

9. The assembly of claim 1, wherein said at least one add-on weight is c-shaped.

10. The assembly of claim 1, wherein said main weight member comprises a pair of mounting legs to selectively mount at least two add-on weights to said main weight member.

11. The assembly of claim 1, wherein said assembly provides at least three weight arrangements that may be positioned at substantially any position along a length of said beater shaft.

12. The assembly of claim 11, wherein said at least three weight arrangements comprises a first arrangement where said main weight member is disposed on said beater shaft without an add-on weight, a second arrangement where a single add-on weight is affixed to said main weight member, and a third arrangement where two add-on weights are affixed to said main weight member.